

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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NANOTUBES
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Examiner: William K. Cheung

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action ("Office Action") mailed December 15, 2008 and having a shortened statutory period for reply of three months set to expire on March 15, 2009, Applicants submit the following remarks, amendments and supporting information. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the rejections of the claims in view of the remarks, amendments and supporting information set forth in this response as follows:

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